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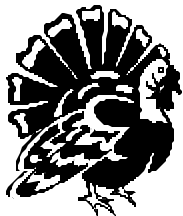
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone was steady on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms. Demand light. No trading reported as buyers showing limited interest to purchase. Supplies fully adequate. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow with the best reported movement on 4-8 lb. breast. Demand was light to moderate. Buyers continue to be price conscious.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was sluggish. Demand was in a full range. Supplies were adequate to instances burdensome.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **APRIL 22, 2003**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	61-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	61-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	61-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 22 APRIL 2003.

Trade sentiment on tom bulk parts was steady to barely steady. Inquiry was light to instances fair with some noting improved interest on drums and full-cut wings, however, most buyers continued to be price conscious. Domestic trading was slow with activity centered on frozen tom breast meat. Some activity was noted on frozen young hen thigh meat for domestic and export shipments. Export trading was sluggish with continued interest being noted on thigh meat from Russia for prompt shipments.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	89.19	1,240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		W	145.00	15
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	86.00		86.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	19.00	55
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	18.00	5
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		M	13.00	30
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	16.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	23.48	33
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	52.00	40
NECKS, TOM		M	21.58	95
NECKS, HEN		T	17.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	110.00		110.00	200
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	120.59	340
THIGH MEAT	47.25		47.25	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	53.00		53.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	62.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	117.34	82
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	20.00		20.00	20

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	16.50-19.00		17.59	184
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	13.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	18.50		18.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	14.41	196
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	43.50-62.25		58.26	252

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	94
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	65-72

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	119-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	99-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	99-129

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Domestic activity was limited due to a lackluster demand. Spot sales were generally at steady prices. A fair volume of plant grade 4-8 pound breasts traded at 83.5 FOB and less than trucklot volumes of Grade A basted 8-16 pound breasts moved at 92 cents delivered. Tails traded at 17 FOB. Export trading was slow to develop. A moderate volume of frozen mechanically separated turkey was booked for May shipments at open prices and a light volume of fresh tom drums at 18 cents delivered to the border.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	85.00		85.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	19.00		19.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		M	13.00	30
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	16.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	23.48	33
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	52.00	40
NECKS, TOM		M	21.58	95
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BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	110.00	200
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	120.59	340
THIGH MEAT		T	47.25	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		T	53.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	69.00		69.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	62.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	117.34	82
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	20.00		20.00	10
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.00		19.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	13.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		T	18.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	14.41	196
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	48.00		48.00	40

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 04/23/03**

SEASON	HEAVY	ACCUMULATED HEAVY	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	
2002-2003	22,562	368,430	368,730
2001-2002	19,138	362,094	362,394